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Rear Admiral Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Room 7135, North Interior Building
18th and F Streets, NW
Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

In view of Executive Directives and action taken by the Congress of the United States, additional responsibilities have been placed upon the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which make it impossible for this Bureau to continue the present arrangement which exists between the Central Intelligence Agency and the FBI for the conduct of applicant investigations.

You will recall that on September 25, 1946, an arrangement was effected whereby the Federal Bureau of Investigation agreed to accept, on a reimbursable basis, a volume of applicant investigations for the Central Intelligence Agency. Since that date over 2,000 investigations have been completed.

In view of the aforementioned added responsibilities and the urgency which presently exists in our work, it will be necessary to discontinue the present program which is in effect between the Central Intelligence Agency and the FBI. We are desirous that your Agency be ready to assume all responsibility for the investigations on October 15, 1947, and it would, therefore, be appreciated if, following the receipt of this communication no additional requests for investigation be transmitted to the FBI and that the entire program will be discontinued by October 15, 1947. Those investigations presently under way will be completed and upon completion transmitted to you.

With assurances of my highest regards,

Sincerely yours,

/s/ J. EDGAR HOOVER

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